

**Joseph Chew to George Washington, May 10, 1758,  
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**FROM JOSEPH CHEW.**

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DEAR SIR

I Reced. your Very kind Letter by my Brother and assure you both my Little Partner and self Return you our sincere thanks for your kind wishes, how Earnestly Dear sir Do I wish your Business would now Call you to the northward, that I might have an opportunity of behaving to you in a more suitable manner than I could when you was last *here*, believe me when I say my Sincere hearty good wishes accompany Every undertaking & step you take and Permit me to add that you have my Earnest Prayers, that you may make a Glorious & successfull Campain, after which I hope you will meet with that Reward and notice from your king & Country you have so Long merited; and so greatly deserved,

The Transports & Troops for Hallyfax sail'd last Wensday from New York—we have a Report that Admiral Boscowin is arrived, but that the post must determine who will be [here] in about one hour if so you will find it in the Boston papers wch. I shall inclose you, —our Levys here do not goe on with that success & spirrit I could wish, N. England Vanity seems to be at as high a flow as Ever, it would divert you to see many of the Officers they have appointed, one of the finest Fellows in this Colony was absolutely Rejected by the Assembly, for no other thing than using the following words at Lake George (1755) when

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the forces seem'd inclynable to give way—*Dam ye my Lads, stand to the Breastwork & fire away,—you kill them Faster than the Devill can Carry them off*

This was & is Esteemed by Our Pious sanctified *Brutes*, as great Prophaness & shows the want of *Faith & Grace*

if I Receive a more than ordinary Joy at the Preparations which are making this season it is at the Promising Prospect from those in my own Country. I am much Pleased to hear of the number of Indians you have and hope your operations will begin before they are disatisfied at Lying still. I will Write you Every Post and pray give you as Early accts. as Possible of what is doing here, and hope to hear from you what passes in your Neighbourhood, be assured that I am with Real truth & Respect my Dear Sir

Your most affectionate JOS CHEW